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UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS

CATHY A. CATTERSON, CLERK U.S. COURT OF APPEALS

FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT

TAMARA MCWILLIAMS, on her behalf, and on the behalf of other persons similarly situated; et al.,

Plaintiffs - Appellants,

v.

PORTLAND PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT, NO. 1J; et al.,

Defendants - Appellees.

No. 03-35442

D.C. No. CV-02-01426-FR

MEMORANDUM*

Appeal from the United States District Court for the District of Oregon Helen J. Frye, District Judge, Presiding

> Argued May 6, 2004 Submission Deferred May 10, 2004 Submitted May 18, 2006 Portland, Oregon

Before: REINHARDT, SILVERMAN, and CLIFTON, Circuit Judges.

We deferred submission of this case pending resolution of three related Oregon cases. In the first case, the Oregon Supreme Court reversed the Oregon

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Court of Appeals and held that Portland School District No. 1J was required to observe the merit system set out in the Custodians' Civil Service Law, O.R.S. §§ 242.310- 242.640, 242.990, when acquiring custodial services by contract. *Walter v. Scherzinger*, 121 P.3d 644, 654 (Or. 2005). On April 27, 2006, the Oregon Supreme Court denied reconsideration of *Walter* and vacated and remanded the decisions of the Oregon Court of Appeals in the two other related cases. *See Portland Pub. Sch. Dist. No. 1J v. Portland Custodian Civil Service Bd.*, 108 P.3d 63 (Or. Ct. App. 2005); *Scherzinger v. Portland Custodians Civil Service Bd.*, 103 P.3d 1122 (Or. Ct. App. 2004).

In light of the Oregon Supreme Court's decision in *Walter* and related proceedings, the judgment of the district court is reversed. This case is remanded for reconsideration consistent with these developments.

REVERSED AND REMANDED.